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For: **Inducing Cellular Immune Responses to Hepatitis B Virus Using Peptide Compositions**
Inventors: SETTE *et al.*
Our Ref: 2473.0060008/PAJ/LMB

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b);
2. Form PTO/SB/08a (1 page) citing documents US5 and US6;
3. Form PTO/SB/08b (1 page) citing documents NPL15 and NPL16; and
4. Copies of cited documents NPL15 and NPL16.

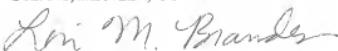
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Respectfully submitted,

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